

# THE CHARLEROI MAIL

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## BURGLARS MAKE GOOD HAULS IN ROBBERIES AT NORTH CHARLEROI

Residences of Richard Burks and John Cratty Entered During Thursday Night

### VALUABLES ARE TAKEN

Over \$200 Worth of Rings and Watches Secured—Efforts Made to Enter Several Homes

Burglars operated at North Charleroi sometime during Thursday night and got away with good hauls from the residences of Richard Burks and John Cratty. Several unsuccessful attempts were made to enter other homes during the night, as shown by tracks in the snow this morning, but outside of the two no robberies have been reported. Burgess Pierce Franks was called at 6 o'clock this morning, and he got to work on the case, together with Charleroi police, but nothing was to be learned.

Entry was made in both cases through unlocked windows. At the Burks home three suits of clothes in addition to a number of other articles were stolen. They were packed in a suit case, and carried out neatly. The suit case had a broken strap, and that was left lying on the floor. Thorough search was made of the first floor section of the house.

At the Cratty home an even better haul was made. There the robbers evidently made a specialty in valuables, and got away with over \$200 worth of watches and rings. Also watch chains were secured.

At the Cratty home a raincoat was dropped and a good overcoat belonging to Mr. Cratty was taken in its stead. The only thing left as a remembrance were some toothpicks and matches.

When investigation was started, reports came in rapidly of places where attempts at entrance had been made. From evidence the burglars had spent practically the entire night of it and had made a thorough job.

### KEG OF POWDER EXPLODES; TWO MEN ARE HURT

Two men were more or less injured and a shanty demolished by the explosion of a keg of powder at Galatian mine across the river from Monongahela Thursday. The shanty was used as a boarding house, a store house for powder and for a wash house for the boarders. While Joseph Vandelle and Pete Dispeto were in the shanty washing for breakfast a keg of powder in the rear suddenly exploded. The sides of the shanty were blown out and the roof fell in. The two men were caught and their clothing ignited by the fire that the explosion started.

Prompt assistance extricated the men and extinguished the flames. The men were not seriously injured. It is not known what caused the explosion.

### Charleroi in Minor League

Steps Taken at Pittsburg For Organization of Pa. Va. Circuit

If a meeting in Pittsburg Thursday is to be taken seriously and significantly, Charleroi will be represented in a class D baseball league the coming season. A preliminary organization of the Pennsylvania-West-Virginia league, an outgrowth of the Ohio and Pennsylvania league, was formed, and Charleroi was included in the circuit. Other towns represented at the meeting were McKeesport, Butler, Beaver Falls, Uniontown and Connellsville. A man by the name of P. B. Wreath served as the Charleroi representative.

All the Ohio cities in the new league are to be dropped and Fairmont and Clarksville taken on. The magnates of the new league will reconvene on Saturday afternoon to perfect plans for the organization. H. A. McKinnon of McKeesport is one of the active spirits at the head of the league.

### TROUBLED BY BLAZE AT MINE

Fire At Old Echo Workings Continues Apparently Unabated

### TREMONT MEN CAREFUL

The fire which was discovered in the Echo mine of the Pittsburg Coal Company near Fayette City on the night of January 1, last is still raging. This fact is evidenced by the curling smoke which can be seen emerging from the crevices in the rocks lining the surface of the mine. It is estimated that the conflagration with its attendant work of repair has cost the company about \$10,000.

A great deal of work was done in an effort to check the spread of the flames to the Tremont workings adjoining Echo. To this end two solid brick and concrete walls were built at the opening at the point where the two tunnels joined. One of these walls is 125 feet long and about 24 feet high; the other is 100 feet long and 25 feet high.

Material for the construction of these barricades was carried to the scene of the fire at a great deal of effort and much cost. It is certain, however, that the quick work in constructing these walls was the means of safe-guarding the lives of the 400 miners employed in the Tremont mine, as well as the saving of thousands of tons of coal in the same mine.

How long this fire will continue no one is justified in making a prediction, but it is generally doubted that it cannot last very much longer.

K. Tener, Pres.

S. A. Walton, Vice Pres.

E. H. Rush, Cashier.

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## BUSINESS MEN TELL COMMITTEE TO INVITE MINERS TO COME HERE

### ELEMENTS COMBINE TO RESTRAIN COAL TRADE IN VALLEY

Ice, Bad Weather And Short Month Make Combination That Eager Demand For Coal Finds Itself Unable to Beat

Ice, bad weather, a short month and an engineer's strike formed a combination that got the best of an eager demand for coal in February, river shipments considered. That the combination restrained trade is evidenced by the February monthly report of the coal shipments through Lock No. 4. With total coal trade amounting to 12,980,000 bushels the slackest month since April, 1912 was noted. The coal trade is starting off

Ice hampered operations along the Monongahela river during a good part of February. Navigation was entirely suspended on February 20. short. Now there is a demand for coal that it is believed will result in mirth, vindicating the groundhog prognostication. An engineer's strike there are possibilities of April being another bad month because of the

lockages down stream numbering 475 and lockages up stream numbering 483, like the coal trade showed the condition of affairs. The loaded craft locked through Lock No. 4 were 1,002 down stream and 1,008 up stream. Going down stream 245 steamboats were counted and passing stream the tabulation showed 245 steamers. The sand and gravel trade during February was slight.

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### PLAYGROUNDS TO BE TURNED OVER TO SCHOOL BOARD

Operation of Charleroi Institution Under New Plan Favored By Business Men Who Start Circulation of Petition

Under a new plan proposed the Charleroi school board will be asked through a largely signed petition to take charge of the operation of the Charleroi playgrounds. This idea was taken up by the Charleroi Business Men's Association Thursday evening at their meeting, and a petition was formulated which was put into circulation today.

The plan for the upkeep of the playgrounds through the school board is an original one. It provides for the maintenance of the grounds through an approved financial system, and for the janitors of the several school buildings, who are but loosely employed with school work during the summer, to take

turns as caretakers of the playgrounds. The school board under the new plan is to be given entire charge of the playgrounds.

Already members of the school board are familiar with the idea, and some of them have expressed themselves as being in favor of it, providing the sentiment is plainly expressed as favorable. When the petition which is being circulated is

sufficiently signed it will be presented to the school board and action will probably immediately follow.

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### Taking Care of Children

Steps Taken By Poor Directors Providing For Charleroi Tots

Poor Director H. D. Browneller today took to the Children's home Helen Moffitt aged 12, Howard Moffitt, aged 7 and Clayton Moffitt aged 4 years all the children of Mrs. Sarah Moffitt of Washington avenue. He took the children to the home after completing investigations into conditions under which the children have been living.

For some time the Associated Board of Charities, the county poor directors and local citizens have been assisting Mrs. Moffitt in keeping her family together. She is the widow of George Robert Moffitt, formerly of Millsboro. In spite of the local aid extended she has been experiencing considerable trouble in keeping her little brood together, so they are simply being taken to the Children's home for keeping to either be returned to her later when she is more able to care for them, or to be let out into the care of others.

Much important business was transacted by the Business Men's Association. The meeting rooms were crowded with members and the meeting was enthusiastic.

Directors were selected for the ensuing year as follows: Harry W. Scott, R. C. Mountser, Walter Beverly, W. C. Clark and M. T. Crowley. Seven new members were received into the association.

Reports were made of various matters which have been under consideration. Among them was that of the progress of the movement for the freeing of the Charleroi-Monessen bridge. A petition is still going and it has been ascertained that to have the proper steps taken towards the freeing of this bridge some expense will be incurred—probably about \$100—and it is probable that this amount will be secured by subscription.

The public service commission's decision permitting the Tri-Cities Water company and other companies to enforce a provision for an additional charge of five per cent on bills

Association Sends Party Of Five To Pittsburgh To Represent Charleroi

Regular Monthly Meeting of March Held Thursday Evening And Much Work Is Done

Arrangements Being Made For Enrolling Voters In County

### LAW UNDERSTOOD NOW

Preparations are being made by the registry assessors in the county for the party enrollment of voters who desire to vote at the May primary election. This is in compliance with the party enrollment act passed by the last legislature, by which every voter, if he desires to vote at the primary, must enroll under the party name with which he is affiliated. If he a voter fails to enroll he cannot vote for the nomination of party candidates.

While a voter can enroll at any time by seeing the assessor, two days are set apart for this purpose, March 17 and 18, when the registry assessors must be at the polling places of their districts for the purpose of enrolling voters. This will be the last opportunity for voters to register their party affiliations which qualifies them to vote at the primary.

Last year in Washington county the registry assessors made an enrollment of all the voters. In round numbers 11,500 enrolled as Republicans, 4,000 as Democrats, 2,900 as Washington party voters and 1,000 as Socialists. Approximately 8,000 voters did not enroll in any party and consequently could not be classed with any party. It is expected that the party enrollment will be much heavier this spring than it was last fall.

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### Deed Recorded.

Julia Henrotin, of Courtney, to George Kamoda, of Monessen, parcell of land in Charleroi, on McLean avenue, 22x100 feet; consideration \$1,050.

### 29c Special 29c.

Regular 50 cent Chocolates on sale Saturday at 25 cents a pound. Welter's 199-12

into effect for the first time last fall many voters did not understand it and therefore were careless about registering. Others resented the requirement and would not register.

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## LOCAL AGENCIES

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F. Hixenbaugh ..... Belle Vernon

## A LOGICAL ARGUMENT.

President Rea of the Pennsylvania Railroad, in his annual report to the stockholders of the company, presents a most forcible argument against the method of government regulation to which the railroads are now subject. He contends that the same body which assumes the responsibility of increasing wages and ordering safety devices and other regulations which increase the operating expenses of the roads should also fix the rates that railroads may charge in order to preserve an equitable balance between income and expense. Last year an arbitration board decreed that the railroads east of the Ohio river should increase the wages of its trainmen to the extent of \$7,000,000, but the Interstate Commerce Commission refuses to permit the roads to increase their freight rates to cover the additional expense.

Mr. Rea's argument is perfectly logical. No business, great or small can prosper, if the expense is constantly encroaching on the income. It is illogical for two distinct bodies which have no comprehensive knowledge of the situation to impose regulations that conflict economically. The board of arbitration which imposed the additional expense did not concern itself about the railroads' incomes, and the Interstate Commerce Commission does not apparently exhibit any concern over the expenditures. These two items, however, have an important bearing with each other in all business enterprises, and unless they can be satisfactorily adjusted financial troubles are inevitable. The railroads may not be hard hit as yet, but they have good reason to object most strenuously to regulations which pay no attention to absolute economic conditions.

## PRODUCE SOMETHING.

It is generally agreed that one of the prime factors in the high cost of living is that the consumption of the commodities of life are over-topping the production. More eggs are consumed in this state than are produced within its borders. The local supply of milk and fruits and vegetables in season is not sufficient for the demands. At almost any period of the season if you buy a bunch of green onions from your grocer you pay in addition to the cost of production weight rates on it from Charleroi

to Pittsburgh and from Pittsburgh to some point in Ohio or further west or south.

The only way to overcome this big drain on the pocket book is to become a small producer. A few square feet cultivated in the back yard will produce enough lettuce, green onions and radishes in a season to amount to several dollars in value. A dozen hens kept on the premises will also add greatly to the food producing income of the family. There are ample opportunities for these small productions everywhere, and if systematically increased the aggregate would swell the volume of food supply, amazingly, and relieve the demand on the regular sources which governs the prices. The wealth of a community can be increased wonderfully if every one who can starts out to produce something, and now is the season to make the preparations.

## ELECTRIC SPARKS

There has been no flurry in the spring styles of women's skirts. Skirts are too tight for that.

Whenever some men want to dress up they buy a shave.

No, Maude, a casket works doesn't always seek a dead town, neither does a dead town seek a casket works.

Girls who have nothing to do but dress up and go out calling never know what fun they miss in not being stenographers with a right to sift.

Writing the obituary of a man is different from writing an editorial about him in that you have facts to guide you in the former and in the latter you sometimes do not.

Appropriate petition for legislators: "Our legislature is in session, blessed be thy works. Our kingdom come, our will be done, in Pennsylvania as we will have it done here. Give us this day some new ideas on how to tangle up the laws, and forgive those who are against us, as we will forgive them after they apologize. Lead us, somebody, into new paths of lawmaking and deliver us from those who can't frame at least a score of bills each session. For of such are our jobs, and our power and our chances for re-election."

A health official advises people to stay away from church and not catch scarlet fever. Yes and get caught by Satan.

Perhaps the reason some society women like dogs is because they are so much better looking than certain of their male acquaintances.

## PICKED UP IN PASSING

"I'm interested in promoting the egg supply of this country," said a Charleroi citizen the other day, "but as I live in a flat I cannot add to it myself. All winter I've been obliged to buy fresh eggs for an invalid member of my family, and the price paid has ranged all the way from 50 cents to 80 cents a dozen, with the higher figure predominating the most of the time. Think of paying 50 cents a dozen for eggs! I've been married less than 25 years and the first years of my married life we paid as low as 10 cents a dozen for eggs in the summer time."

"That low price was because practically everybody kept hens in our community and eggs were a drug in the local market. If every household in all of the towns who has a back yard would keep a few hens, the egg supply would be materially increased, and prices would not be so high. I've been figuring what this would amount to, if carried out systematically over all the state. Suppose 20 persons in every one of the 32 boroughs in this county should keep a flock of from nine to a dozen hens. That number ought to produce, I figure, 29,120 dozen eggs in a season, which at an average price of 25 cents a dozen would be worth \$7,250.

"Applying this ratio and average to all of the 67 counties in the state, it is easy to see how half a million dollars a year in additional wealth could be created without practically any expense or investment, except the original cost of a dozen hens to each producer. Their keep would be practically nothing, as the average family produces enough table and kitchen scraps to feed the hens. The national agricultural department is trying to induce every farmer in the east to raise two or three heads of cattle

where they are now raising none, in order to increase the beef supply and to lower the price. Why not try the same plan with eggs?"

A Charleroi family, in which is a small maiden, is spending the winter in Florida. In making the journey the family secured a drawing room compartment in a Pullman car from Washington D. C., to their destination. At the national capital a friend called to see them off, and spent a short time visiting them in their compartment, while the train was waiting. The arrangements of the drawing room compartment greatly interested the little girl, who had to have everything explained to her, especially the sleeping arrangements. To the visitor, the little one explained the situation and added:

"Papa and I are going to sleep on the mantel."

## UNION HIGH TO FACE CHARLEROI; GIRLS TO PLAY

This evening on the Charleroi high school gymnasium floor the local basketball team will meet the Union high school team. Both teams are in good shape and as both have been winning consecutively a close game is anticipated.

Much interest has been manifested in the preliminary game to be played this evening between the girl's team of the Freshman and Junior classes. This will be the first public game played by the girls this season and as both teams have been steadily training a hot contest is expected. It will start at 8 o'clock.

## COMMISSIONERS RECEIVE WORK ABOUT PRIMARY

Official notice has been given the commissioners by Robert McAfee, secretary of the Commonwealth in accordance with the provisions of the uniform primary act of those to be nominated at the spring primary to be held on Tuesday, May 19, 1914 and to be voted upon at the general election to be held Tuesday, November 3, 1914.

The list follows: United States senator, governor, lieutenant governor, secretary of internal affairs, judge of the supreme court, judge of superior court, four representatives in congress at large, one representative in congress, one senator in general assembly, and three representatives in general assembly.

There is also to be chosen at the spring primary by each political party, one member of the state committee.

## NORTH CHARLEROI

Little Clive Edwin McClure has been ill at his home.

Mrs. Charles Carson and children visited the former's mother in Fayette City.

Mr. and Mrs. Davis Shield of Maple Creek have moved here.

Mrs. Richard Thomas and daughter Miss Marion, and Mrs. Hiram Myers were visitors in Pittsburgh Wednesday.

Those from out of town who attended the funeral of Richard Jenkins were Mrs. Charles Ensley, Mrs. Ellsworth Ream, Mrs. Margaret Johns of West Brownsville, Mr. and Mrs. James Johns of Marianna, Mr. and Mrs. George McClain of Homestead.

Mrs. Charles Taylor and daughters Hazel and Maybl were visitors in Pittsburgh.

Miss Margaret Gore has returned to Pittsburgh after visiting Mrs. Davis Woods.

Harry Maple was in Pittsburgh. Mr. and Mrs. Eli Crable and daughter visited the latter's parents. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Harris in Carroll township.

Miss Bertha Brant visited in Donora.

Miss Katherine Meechum of Brownsville was visiting at the home of her sister Mrs. John Cope.

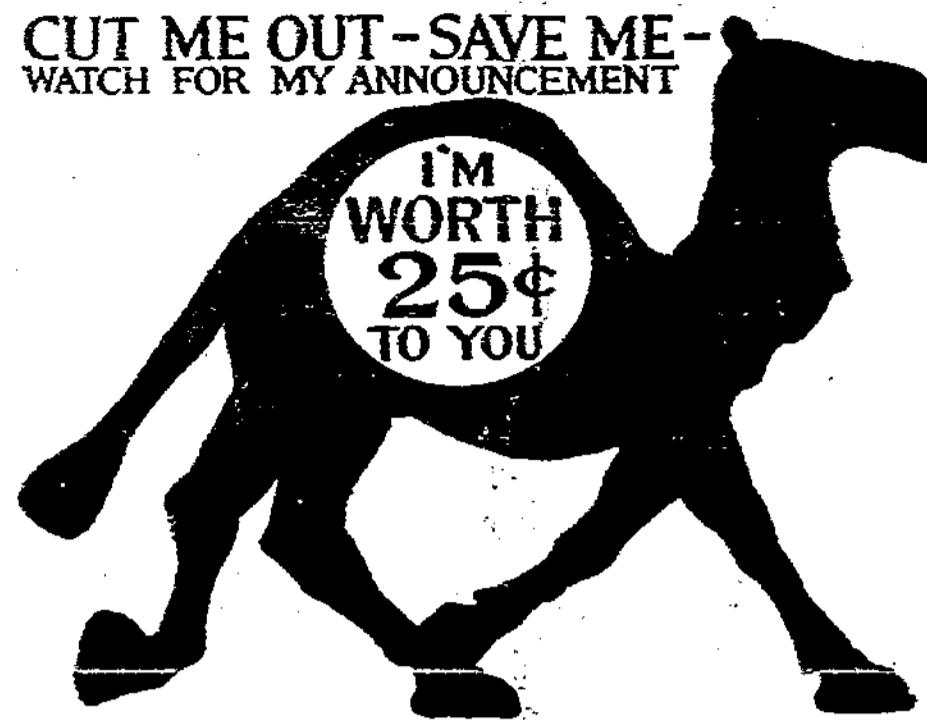
Mr. and Mrs. George Dennis spent Wednesday in Donora.

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WATCH FOR MY ANNOUNCEMENT



## CLASS OF SUNDAY

### SCHOOL ELECTS YEAR'S OFFICERS

The young men's Bible class of the Washington Avenue Presbyterian Sunday school held a business meeting and banquet in the Sunday school room on Thursday night. Covers were laid for 28 and a three course banquet was served by the losing side in the class contest. Toasts were responded to by several members all taking part in a round table talk on class betterment for next year.

At the business meeting officers were elected and plans were made for a canvass of the town in the interest of Sunday school work. Officers elected were: President Austin Stahlman; vice president, James Wagner; secretary, Paul Trnavsky; treasurer, Thomas Jeffries. O. M. Wise is the teacher.

## DUTCH SUPPER IS THE CLIMAX TO TOURNAMENT

As a climax to an interesting bowling tournament 80 members of the Charleroi Elks club enjoyed a banquet at the club rooms Thursday evening. In a recent tournament a team captained by Robert Vetter defeated by 69 points John B. Schaefer's team. As a result the banquet, which was in the form of a Dutch supper was served to the victors by the losing team. David M. McCloskey, Esq., was the toastmaster.

## PROF. E. E. BACH TO SPEAK TO THE LOCAL ATHENE CLUB

The Athene Club will meet March 13 instead of today as previously announced. The subject for discussion will be "Social Welfare." Prof. E. E. Bach, sociological superintendent for the Ellsworth Collieries company, is programmed to give a talk on "The Relation of the Social Worker to the Community," and Miss Dale Finley will speak on "Vocational Guidance."

The meeting which will be with Mrs. R. C. Mounts will be of a social nature, with invited guests. An interesting program is anticipated.

## YOUNG PEOPLE'S SOCIETIES MEET

The first of a series of union young people's meetings was held Thursday evening at the First Baptist church, when the subject of study taken up was "Civic reform in which young people's societies should engage." Several talks were made by representatives from various churches, that with a solo by Miss Dorothy Whitelatch constituted the entire program. The next meeting is to be held on April 2, at the Washington Avenue Presbyterian church.

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3 lbs Muir peaches for.....	25c
3 lb can fancy table peaches.....	15c
Country eggs, doz.....	35c
Creamery butter, 1 lb print.....	34c
Fancy tub butter, lb.....	36c
Canned soups, 3 cans for.....	25c
Dutch cheese, 1/2 lb box.....	5c
Neuchatel cheese, 8 oz glass.....	10c
Brick cheese, per lb.....	20c and 22c
Pure cane sugar, 25 lb sack.....	\$1.15
Fancy White Potatoes, bushel.....	90c
10c can Aristo Pork and Beans. 4 cans.....	25c
15c can Pickert's Kippered Herring, 2 for.....	15c

## The Co-Operative Store

## Read the Mail

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THE public wants to know the facts. It wants the facts about a kind of shoe or a brand of flour. It wants to know the kind of stuff that goes into a suit of clothes or a package of crackers.

## The One Thing Above All Others The Public Demands is Publicity

IT has learned to be very skeptical about any event that occurs in the dark.

DO not keep your light under a bushel and create the opinion that you are no longer in business. Let the people know what you have to offer to them.

## USE The Charleroi Mail

The Paper that goes into practically every English speaking home in Charleroi

### AMONG THE THEATRES

THE COYLE—CHARLEROI  
Monday "An American Citizen," featuring John Barrymore was produced at the Coyle theatre. "The Harper Mystery," a clever detective story in which a woman's sympathy combined with cleverness led to the capture of a man wanted by the police for several crimes was another good feature of the week. On Thursday "Protea," a five reel picture was shown. Two nations are about to enter into a treaty and a third is anxious to learn the terms thereof. Protea is sought. She agrees to get the information providing she may have the assistance of a man who is serving a prison sentence. His release is ordered and the pair take up their task.

THE PALACE—CHARLEROI  
"The Journey's Ending," with Miss Marion Leonard in the leading role was the title of one of the leading features shown at the Palace theatre this week. "The Governor's Ghost" another good picture portrayed the sacrifice of a fallen woman to save her husband and daughter from disgrace. The latter part of the week was taken up with a high class vaudeville consisting of a singing and dancing act, Miskell and Miller and the McDonald Duo are all very good. Manager Barnhart has two good features booked for Monday of next week, "A Daughter of Ireland," with Miss Gene Gauntier playing a prominent part and "The Secret Hand" featuring Darwin Karr.

THE LYRIC—CHARLEROI  
"Pickles, Art and Sauer Kraut," a comedy in which Jerry tired of selling delicatessens takes up art, was one of the pictures shown at the Lyric theatre this week. On Wednesday "The Parasite" a special Lubin three reel picture was shown. In it was portrayed the way in which a man and his wife blackmailed a rich society man and eventually led him to ruin. "The Shadow of Guilt," featuring Miss Marion Saus was another good feature of this week's program. The hero's rescue of a millionaire from a burning building and a scoundrel's terrible fate when the roof of the raging inferno crashes in, are two of the wonderful scenes in this gripping story. Manager Pennman has booked for Saturday night a wonderful production, "The Big Horn Massacre."

THE STAR—CHARLEROI

"The Power of Light," a two reel picture was the leading feature at the Star theatre this week. The son of a moonshiner wishes to take up a better work in life but is not permitted

After working at his father's trade for some time he becomes disgusted with conditions and leaves home. He enters the ministry and returns to reform the family. "A Virginary Judas" was another good feature portraying the sacrifice a man made of his honor to save his brother who had betrayed the secrets of the army to the enemy. "The Trail of the Law," a three reel western drama is booked for Saturday.

THE ALVIN—PITTSBURG  
Owing to the phenomenal success of "Within the Law," which opened at the Alvin Theatre, Pittsburgh, Monday night it has been decided to hold this great drama for another week to meet the extraordinary demand for seats. The second and final week will therefore begin Monday evening, March 5. Helen Ware, the star of "Within the Law," who plays the rôle of Mary Turner, is one of the foremost emotional actresses in the country today. The story of "Within the Law," which tells of the sending to prison of Mary Turner for a term of three years for a theft which she did not commit is told in such tensely written dialogue and unfolded in such marvelously true and gripping scenes that the spectator is held literally on the edge of his seat from the rise of the first curtain to the fall of the final one. The final performance will be given Saturday night March 14.

THE DUQUESNE—PITTSBURG  
For the third and final week of Thomas W. Ross' special starring engagement with the Harry Davis Players at the Duquesne beginning Monday matinee, March 9, and continuing twice daily, Mr. Davis has happily selected Du Souchet's, "The Man From Mexico," in which Mr. Ross starred throughout the country with brilliant success. It is generally conceded that there was never a funnier farce on the American stage.

The comical situations emanate from the lies told by the hero, Benjamin Fitzhew, to conceal from his wife and friends the fact that, through accident, he has been compelled to spend his supposed vacation (to Mexico) in jail. A realistic scene in the play is that of the warden's room on Blackwell's Island, New York. A number of theatre parties have already been scheduled by Mr. Ross' old Pittsburg friends for this final week of his return to the scenes of his early stage triumphs.

THE GRAND—PITTSBURG

The name of Gus Edwards is a talisman with which to conjure. It, therefore, is a pleasure to chronicle the fact that Mr. Edwards, at the Grand Opera House, the week beginning Monday afternoon, March 9, will present Will J. Ward and his

### Health Restored by Eckman's Alternative

The jeweler of ancient Egypt knew more than modern craftsmen about treating gems so that they would shine and sparkle according to the "Independent." Such gems as the emerald, garnet, and sapphire are durable and more brilliant in the days of the Pharaohs than they can be made to day. It is known that the diamond, emerald and kyanite become closer, clearer and fluorescent under certain circumstances.

Gems exhibit the "brightest phosphorescence in vacuum tubes. Even in rarefied air some diamonds give out a blue light which is not present in a denser atmosphere. In a vacuum a diamond of four or five carats gives as much light as a candle. The color of the light differs not only with the origin of the diamond, but with the facets of the same diamond. Masketine made a collection of diamonds which glowed in a vacuum with nearly all the colors of the spectrum. An uncut stone which was roughly cube shape, with truncated corners and edges emitted orange yellow light from the corners and lemon yellow from the flat edges.

Next to the diamond stands the ruby as highly phosphorescent in a vacuum. The ruby emits a beautiful red light, as though it were incandescent. Kyanite shines with a golden yellow or yellow tinged with rose. The emerald shines with a crimson light. The same gems become phosphorescent under the influence of radium. The ultra-violet rays also produce luminosity in gems.

It is well known that rubies from the mines of Burma are more valuable than those from neighboring Siam. Externally, they look much alike, but under the ultra-violet rays Burmese stones, which are called oriental rubies, glow like red embers, while the Siamese rubies look almost black.

### SMALL ALMANAC NOT PRIZED

Literary Curio, Sold by Auction at London, Went at a Ridiculously Small Price.

A copy of the English Bijou Almanac, published in 1833, has just been sold by auction in London. This tiny volume which measures three-quarters of an inch by five-eighths and is one-eighth of an inch thick, is certainly one of the smallest, if not actually the smallest, ever published. It is inclosed in a morocco case with a magnifying glass to enable the purchaser to read it.

This curious little book fetched only \$20 when put up for bids at Sotheby's auction rooms. The Bijou Almanac was published annually in London from 1833 to 1833 and was a wonderful little storehouse of information, interspersed with pictures of famous people. The volume for 1833 contains portraits of William IV, Queen Victoria, Grise, Mozart and Sir Walter Scott, with verses following each picture.

Enamel Chips in Sausages.  
M Martel, chief of the veterinary department of the Paris board of health has just made a report on sausage manufacturing which contains some interesting revelations. He was specifically interested in ascertaining to what extent chips of the enamel coating of the meat grinders got into the finished sausages. His microscope showed him in a large number of sausages minute particles of enamel with sharp points, capable of producing erosions of the intestines.

Doctor Martel found few sausage machines in perfect condition, and learned that after very brief use the enamel of such grinders almost always chips off. He has asked the prefect of the Seine to forbid the use of enameled machines. Some manufacturers had discovered this defect themselves and had already put in machines in which nothing but polished steel comes in contact with the meat.

Theater 2,400 Years Old to Reopen.  
Much interest in social and archaeological circles centers around the program arranged by the Marquis Lentini calling for the production of a number of tragedies by historic Greek poets at the old theater of Syracuse, Italy. Among these is the "Agamemnon" of Aeschylus, of which a new translation is being prepared by Professor Remagno, a well known and distinguished Greek scholar. Aeschylus himself superintended the representation of this play in the famous theater of Syracuse 2,400 years ago.

After much negotiations the marquis has obtained the permit to open the theater next spring. In Cicero's day the theater seated 40,000. It is cut in the rock a little way above the town and the various tiers are wonderfully well preserved.

Family Dissensions.  
Dissension in families often rises from a lack of humility and too much presumption on the part of the different members of the family. "The soft answer that turneth away wrath" is forgotten for the hasty reply, the unkind retorts that kindle the fire of ill-feeling and are the outcome of disorderly minds which are prone to resentment on account of lacking in the gentle grace of humility. Love does not linger in the home where petty pride shows its unlovely qualities. It chooses to dwell in the home where the spirit of unselfishness, of self-control, of thoughtfulness and of charitableness makes the atmosphere sweet.

Where Sentiment Stops.  
Mary Johnston in her book, "Hagar," has Mrs. Green, one of the characters, reply to the heroine's wish that she could make money by saying: "It ain't so easy for women to make money. There's more ways they can't than they can. It's what they call 'Sentiment' fights them. Sentiment don't mind their being industrious, but it draws the line at their getting money for it."

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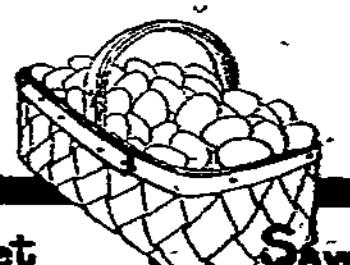
## KEEPS MEN SMILING

100% of the men in America are not smiling. For July 1 is the 100th and a complete 100% age, needs no smile. It is in the 100th year. Don't let it pass. Don't have a smile because your value is not greater than a smile. Smile every day, even a smile as short and sweet as each week. A shared portion of your smile and you will be surprised what you'll have in 4 years from now.

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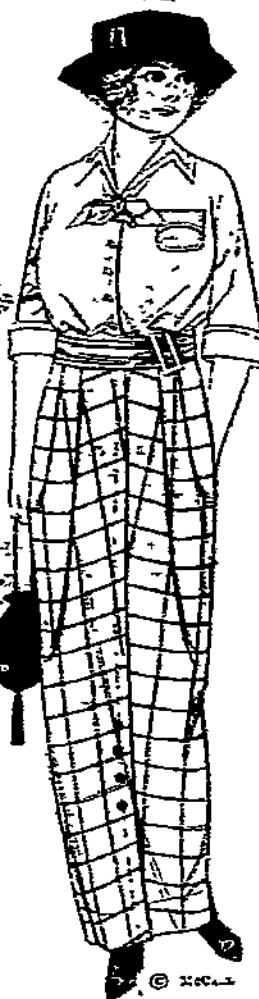
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FOR RENT—3 furnished rooms for housekeeping. Reasonable rent. Inquire 342 Mail office. 198-83p

FOR SALE—A full set of Blacksmith's tools. Inquire of 1103 Shady avenue, and Eleventh street. 199-t6p

Did you ever pick up 25 cents on the street? Save the Camels. They cost 25 cents to you. 198-t4

## AUXILIARY ENLARGED

Women Take Up Definite Work In Interest of Local Hospital

### OFFICERS ARE ELECTED

Women representatives from the different churches met in the Business Men's Association rooms Thursday afternoon to form a hospital auxiliary for the Charleroi-Monessen hospital. Since an auxiliary already exists, a temporary organization was formed to meet with the present one to formulate plans for a larger unit. Officers elected until plans are formulated and the organization completed after consultation with the present auxiliary are as follows:

President—Mrs. T. M. Faddis.  
First vice president—Mrs. Herman Heupel.

Second vice president—Mrs. Elizabeth Berriman.

Secretary—Mrs. Earl Piper.

Treasurer—Mrs. P. Connolly.

The officers with the committee consisting of Mrs. C. P. Bastian, Mrs. Walter Byerly and Mrs. Harry Brown are to meet with the present executive officers to form a larger auxiliary.

It is the intention to form similar organizations in Monessen and Belle Vernon. Auxiliaries in the three towns will be formed separately and they will plan to work together.

## MINERS HAVE STORMY TIME AT PITTSBURG

Stormy sessions still continue to mark the miners' convention of District No. 5 in Pittsburgh, and President Van Bitter is having a hard time trying to harmonize the warring factions, some elements of which seem determined to stir up trouble. At the morning session Tony Jones was ejected from the hall. It is said that President Bitter declared there were spies in the hall, and Jones, who was not a delegate, was ejected from the gallery of the auditorium in the Labor Temple, where the sessions are held.

At the close of the afternoon session six constables from the office of Alderman Louis Alpern appeared and arrested two of the delegates. These were John Ladden of Moon Run and Charles Barton of Midway. The arrests were the result of accusations made by various delegates that

funds had been misappropriated, although these accusations had been ignored in the executive committee's report, which was concurred in by a vote of the convention. The men arrested were released on \$300 bail for a hearing this morning.

These charges were discussed in the afternoon by President Bitter, who declared they had been made for malicious purposes. He explained how the money in question had been used. Thomas Haggerty, a national board member, told the delegates the situation in the Cabin Creek and Paint Creek districts in West Virginia.

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